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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed January 6, 2005, the Applicants request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to reconsider all pending claims in view of the amendment and the following remarks.

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